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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: POST TOP ELECTRODE OXYGEN  
ANNEAL TO IMPROVE TA205 OR BST  
PERFORMANCE

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**In the Specification**

*A1*  
Page 2, before "Background of the Invention", please insert --This application is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/588,008, filed on June 6, 2001, which is hereby incorporated by reference...--

**In the Claims**

Please cancel claims 1-31.